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SUBJECT: ENVIROTECH PETITION FOR FOREIGN GOVERNMENT APPROVAL

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1. IN RESPONSE TO EMBASSY LETTER OF SEPT 25 WE RECEIVED FROM MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS NOV. 3 PHOTOSTATIC COPY OF LETTER DATED JUNE 6. 1975 FROM S.E. CHILESHE, WRITING FOR THE PERMANENT SECRETARY, MINISTRY OF MINES AND INDUSTRY, CONVEYING ZAMBIAN GOVERNMENT APPROVAL ENVIROTECH PETITION. MINISTRY SAID IT UNABLE TO LOCATE ORIGINAL OF LETTER. TEXT AS FOLLOWS:

"OUR GOVERNMENT HAS BEEN ADVISED BY ENVIROTECH CORPORATION THAT IT HAS PROPOSED TO MAKE AN INVESTMENT FROM RETAINED EARNINGS IN EIMCO (INTER AFRICA) LTD. FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXPANDING THEIR FACILITY, WHICH SUPPLIES MINING MACHINERY AND SPARE PARTS TO MINING COMPANIES IN ZAMBIA.

THE ENVIROTECH CORPORATION HAS INFORMED THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF ZAMBIA THAT IT IS APPLYING TO THE UNITED STATES OVERSEAS PRIVATE INVESTMENT CORPORATION FOR INVESTMENT INSURANCE OR GUARANTIES FOR THIS PROJECT.

I WISH TO INFORM YOU THAT THE ENVIROTECH CORPORATION PROJECT HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF ZAMBIA FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTMENT INSURANCE AND GUARANTIES THAT MAY BE ISSUED BY THE OVERSEAS PRIVATE INVESTMENT CORPORATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE REPUBLIC OF ZAMBIA ON THE SUBJECT".

2. FOLLOWING REPRESENTATION BY AMBASSADOR TO MINISTER OF MINES AND INDUSTRY SOKO OCT. 30, AMBASSADOR RECEIVED FROM D.H. KAONA, UNCLASSIFIED

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WRITING FOR PERMANENT SECRETARY, MINISTRY OF MINES AND INDUSTRY

LETTER DATED NOV. 4, TEXT OF WHICH STATES:

"YOUR EXCELLENCY:

THE MINISTERS OF MINES AND INDUSTRY, HON. A.J. SOKO, M.P., HAS
DIRECTED ME TO REPLY TO YOUR LETTER OF 28TH OCTOBER, 1975 IN
CONNECTION WITH AN APPLICATION BY EIMCO (INTERAFRICA) LIMITED
FOR OPIC INSURANCE. ACCORDINGLY I HAVE TO INFORM YOU THAT THE
ENVIROTECH CORPORATION PROJECT HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE GOVERNMENT
OF THE REPUBLIC OF ZAMBIA FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTMENT INSURANCE
AND GUARANTIES THAT MAY BE ISSUED BY THE OVERSEAS PRIVATE INVESTMENT
CORPORATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT
OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE REPUBLIC OF ZAMBIA
ON THE SUBJECT.
I SHOULD ACCORDINGLY BE GRATEFUL IF YOU WOULD INFORM THE COMPANY
NAMED IN THIS LETTER".

3. EMBASSY REQUESTS CONFIRMATION THAT EITHER OF ABOVE CONSTITUTES
ACCEPTABLE FOREIGN GOVERNMENT APPROVAL. IF SO, REQUEST OPIC
ADVISE ENVIROTECH CORP. CONCERNING GCZ APPROVAL. EMBASSY IS IN
CONTACT WITH EIMCO REPRESENTATIVE HERE.
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